

adopted, how do we get at a vote upon the original section 7 as recommended by the Committee?

THE CHAIRMAN: You could not unless you reconsidered the vote by which 21 was adopted. If you want the original committee language, you would vote against Amendment No. 21.

DELEGATE CLAGETT: Will you say that a little louder, please, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: I will state it at the proper time so that everybody will be clear about it.

Is there any other delegate who desires to speak in favor of Amendment No. 21-A to eliminate the word "general"? If not, Delegate Barrick, will you please state very succinctly in not more than one-third the sentences the point you made with respect to this so that Delegate Schloeder can know whether or not to reply?

DELEGATE BARRICK: Mr. Chairman, if you strike out the word "general," in my opinion the General Assembly may deal with the time of election on a county by county basis in an affirmative manner.

THE CHAIRMAN: Did you follow him, Delegate Schloeder?

DELEGATE SCHLOEDER: Yes, I did. I do not think it is my place to comment on an amendment by Hanson, Raley, Clark, Macdonald, Scanlan and Gallagher.

THE CHAIRMAN: I do not insist that you do. I merely give you the opportunity.

DELEGATE SCHLOEDER: I sit down.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Is there any further discussion? Are you ready for the question? The Clerk will ring the quorum bell. The pages will please distribute the amendments marked 21-B and 21-A. Will you please correct your copies to reverse it? 21-B is the amendment we are considering. The two-line amendment is 21-A.

Before voting on the amendment, I will ask the Clerk to read it. Amendment No. 21-A.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 21-A to Amendment No. 21 to Committee Recommendation S&E-2 by Delegate Barrick. On page 1 of the amendment in line 11 strike out the word "general".

THE CHAIRMAN: For what purpose does Delegate Macdonald rise?

DELEGATE MACDONALD: To speak to the amendment, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Proceed.

DELEGATE MACDONALD: Mr. Chairman, I rise to oppose this amendment. I was not going to get up to say anything but since we rang the quorum bell two or three delegates have walked by here and said what does this do? This little amendment would strike out one word and is in direct opposition to the local government article, which you adopted not so long ago. By the local government article we will get rid of local legislation. This little amendment would allow the General Assembly to deal in this subject matter by local legislation. I urge that you oppose it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Are you ready for the question? The question arises on the adoption of Amendment No. 21-A.

For what purpose does Delegate White rise?

DELEGATE WHITE: To vote against.

THE CHAIRMAN: The question arises on the adoption of Amendment No. 21-A. To avoid confusion, the Chair will not at this time explain the effect of a vote for or against Amendment No. 21. I will explain the effect of a vote for or against Amendment No. 21 when we consider that amendment.

The question now arises on Amendment 21A, although distributed and printed 21-B it is in fact 21-A. The other amendment distributed to you printed as Amendment 21-A is in fact 21-B. I am sorry that that mistake occurred in printing, but the printer did not know the order in which they would be offered.

The question now arises on the two-line amendment which is Amendment 21-A to Amendment 21. A vote Aye will be a vote in favor of the amendment. A vote No will be a vote against the amendment which has to do merely with the word "general". For what purpose does Delegate Boyles rise? Very well. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the amendment to delete the word "general" from line 11 of Amendment No. 21. A vote No is a vote against. Cast your votes.

*(Whereupon a roll call vote was taken.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: Has every delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote? The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 6 votes in the affirmative and 109 in the negative, the motion is lost, the amendment is rejected.

Amendment No. 21-B is now printed and on your desk. It is the one which in print is